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FASTENING STRUCTURE INCLUDING A BOLT HAVING A SERRATION THAT IS PRESS-FIT INTO A BOLTHOLE OF A FLANGE (Rule 1.53(b) Divisional of Serial No. 10/359,092, Filed February 6, 2003)

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Sir:

Applicants in the above-entitled application hereby claim the date of priority under the International Convention of Japanese Patent Application No. 10-094411, filed April 7, 1998, as acknowledged in the Declaration of this application.

A certified copy of said Japanese Patent Application is of record in parent application Serial No. 09/287,185, filed April 6, 1999, which is the parent application of Serial No. 09/716,220 filed November 21, 2000, which is the parent application of Serial No. 10/359,092, filed February 6, 2003, which is the parent application of the above-identified application.

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